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HILLSBORO MAN SENTENCED FOR MARIJUANA CULTIVATION

CONCORD, NEW HAMPSHIRE – United States Attorney Tom Colantuono, Drug Enforcement Administration Resident Agent in Charge Leo Ducey, Hillsborough Police Chief Robert B. Stafford, Jr. and N.H. Fish and Game Director Lee Perry announced that Steven D. Kidder, age 47, of Hillsboro, New Hampshire was sentenced today in U.S. District Court in connection with the cultivation of a marijuana field in Hillsboro, New Hampshire in August, 2002.

Kidder was sentenced by U. S. District Judge Joseph A. DiClerico, Jr. to a term of sixteen months in prison followed by two years probation. Kidder previously admitted his guilt to the charge during a hearing on October 22, 2003.

United States Attorney Colantuono stated, "Crimes such as this impact communities and place costs on society. One of the highest priorities of the United States Attorney's Office is to continue to seek ways to prevent and reduce crime through the aggressive prosecution of these cases. This case is just one example of our continued dedication to that mission."

The successful prosecution of this case resulted from the efforts of the Hillsborough Police Department, the Drug Enforcement Administration and the N.H. Fish and Game Department. The case was prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Robert J. Veiga.